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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: MEMORY DEVICE, MEMORY CIRCUIT AND SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED

CIRCUIT HAVING VARIABLE RESISTANCE

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear

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The reference **WO 03/041172 A1** was cited in a corresponding Korean Office Action and its relevance is discussed therein. A copy of the Korean Office Action is attached for the Examiner's information.

Please note the article "Novell Colossal Magnetoresistive Thin Film Nonvolatile Resistance Random Access Memory (RRAM)" listed on the attached Korean Office Action was previously submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 11, 2008.

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